

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Ruben et al.

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For: Antibodies To HHPEN62 Polypeptide (As  
Amended)

Examiner: P. Mertz

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Madam or Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview on December 21, 2006. Pursuant to the Interview Summary mailed December 26, 2006 (Paper No. 20061221), Applicants hereby submit the statement of the substance of the interview.

As noted in the Interview Summary, the rejection of claims 25-47 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 in the above-referenced application was discussed. *See*, Paper No. 20061221. No agreement was reached. However, the Examiner suggested that a declaration or other art showing differential expression of carnosinase in normal tissue versus tissue from a subject suffering from a neurodegenerative disorder would be positively considered when considering allowance of the instant invention. Applicants indicated that the filing of a Request for Continued Examination with or without a 3-month request for suspension of prosecution would be considered so that a declaration could be prepared.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the allowance of this application.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425.

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